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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hench, et al.

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2001. The extended period expires on April 23, 2002.

A check in the amount of \$920.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for this extension of time. If any additional fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate of this Petition is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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